

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 92-290-W - ORDER NO. 92-607  
JULY 24, 1992

IN RE: Application of Heater Utilities, Inc.                   ) ORDER  
      requesting that its certificated service                ) APPROVING  
      area be expanded to include water service               ) EXTENSION  
      for certain portions of Saluda County at                 ) OF SERVICE  
      the existing rates and charges approved                 ) AREA  
      for Heater Utilities, Inc.                                 )

By application filed May 15, 1992, with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission), Heater Utilities, Inc. (the Company) seeks approval of an extension of its service area to provide sewer service to customers in certain portions of Saluda County, South Carolina, known as Saluda Shores. The application was filed pursuant to R.103-702 and R.103-821 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations.

The Company is a public utility currently operating water systems under the jurisdiction of the Commission in South Carolina. Its corporate charter is on file with the Commission and an appropriate bond has been posted with same. The Company is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission pursuant to S.C. Code Ann., §58-5-10 et. seq. (1976), as amended. The Company was previously granted certificated service areas, and rates and charges for water service have been heretofore approved by this

Commission.

The Company, in its application, asserts that it will furnish adequate service for the additional service area and requests that charges for water service provided in the service area covered by the request for expansion be at the above-mentioned approved schedule of rates and charges. The Company's application was accompanied by service area maps reflecting the proposed extension to its previously certificated area. A request was made for a waiver of the required public hearing. As no opposition to the extension was received by the Commission after proper notification was given to all affected customers, the Commission herein approves the request and waives the public hearing.

Upon thorough review of the matters contained in the application, and all matters relative thereto, the Commission is of the opinion, and so finds, that the relief requested therein by the Company should be granted. The Commission finds that the water service to be made available to the customers in Saluda Shores in Saluda County, South Carolina should not impair the ability of the Company to continue to provide service in its existing service area in a manner consistent with the Rules and Regulations of this Commission and applicable laws of this State. The Commission further finds that the proposed extension does not interfere with the service of any other jurisdictional utility, and that the rates and charges previously approved for the Company in Docket No. 91-096-W by Order No. 91-881 are just and reasonable and, as such, should be approved for the extended service area.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the application of Heater Utilities, Inc. to extend is previously authorized service area, be and hereby is, approved.
2. That the service area previously authorized for Heater Utilities, Inc. be and hereby is, extended to include customers in Saluda Shores in Saluda County, South Carolina as reflected in the service area maps submitted with the application.
3. That the schedule of rates and charges previously approved for the Company in Docket No. 91-096-W, Order No. 91-881, issued October 14, 1991, be, and hereby is, approved for the area approved herein effective for service rendered on or after the date of this Order.
4. That this Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
VICE Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

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